

My Week

by R. J. Deachman

There are a few Canadians, thank heaven they are not numerous who seem to hold a spite against this country. They avoid facts when talking about it.

One of these stories claims that we are exporting brains to the United States. It seems that 29,659 people emigrated from Canada to the United States in 1917. Of this number 23,467 were immigrants who made this country a resting place on the 7th day.

Europe to the U.S.A., they intended to go to the United States when they left Europe. Then 5,093 were Americans who had lived here for some time but had never become Canadian citizens. In the same year 8,570 Canadian citizens returned from the United States and 44,983 people of British origin migrated to Canada.

If we assume that the British brains coming in would be as good as the Canadian brains going out—don't raise that question with any of those who come from Scotland—we gained, not lost by this movement across the border. The number of British people coming into Canada was quite substantially greater than our net loss to the United States.

We can't stop people from migrating from one place to another. There has been a fairly large movement in Canada from the Prairie Provinces into British Columbia. If over the border we take the Mississippi

River as a dividing line it will be found that a great many people in the last few years moved from the east side of that river to the west side of it. California has been one of the most rapidly growing states in the Union. There is also a substantial movement from the Northern States to the Southern States, especially to Florida. Now put this in your pipe and smoke it. Out of every three new settlers arriving in Australia one leaves the country for some other part of the world and Australia has no big neighbor to attract the dissatisfied.

There is no particular reason why we should get excited about these matters. It has been pointed out that a number of our university graduates go to the United States and thereby we lose some of our best trained citizens but if we increase the output of that class of material and there is not sufficient employment for it here, it need not surprise us if a certain number move to the United States. If we have a sufficient number of doctors, lawyers, scientists etc. in the Dominion of Canada there is no use trying to prevent them from going to the United States by "making work" for them here.

THAT RESTLESS URGE

Movements of this kind are natural and normal and will always take place. They will move in response to supply and demand. I doubt very much if all the advantage lies on the other side of the boundary. A barber

HISTORY OF RAYMOND

By ELIZABETH KING

RAYMOND'S FIRST TINNER AND PLUMBER

William Paris came from Scotland to Lethbridge when but a lad of 16 years. He learned the trade of Tinning and Plumbing at the age of 17 and has worked at this trade ever since.

He came from Lethbridge to Raymond in March 1902 his wife coming here in May of the same year. They lived in a tent all summer which was set up just north of his present shop and what with the mosquitoes and extreme heat, tent life was anything but pleasant. Mr. Paris was a M. Hergot of Stirling, Wm. W. Cooper and William Lamb and himself of Raymond all crowded in a small shop about 20 x 15 feet. Each of them had his own small division in which he did his respective work of tinning, plumbing and carpenter work. This little shop was located north of Robert Graham's present business section and was among the first buildings to be erected in Raymond.

Mr. Paris is an efficient workman and has been in a great many homes in Raymond as a tinner and plumber. He is 74 years of age but goes to work in his shop which is located just east of Broadway.

Mr. Paris recalls the "Bull Team" of those early pioneer days which hauled freight from Ft. Benton, Mont. to Lethbridge. Thirty bulls to a freight wagon of from two to five tons. These teams were often seen idling over the prairies of what is now Raymond going south to the

told me today that a Saturday haircut and shave in Detroit costs \$2, that is \$1.25 for the haircut and 75c for the shave. Throw in your tip with that and pay it a few times and you will wish you were back in Canada where things cost somewhat less.

When I have been in the United States and I have been there many times, I have always felt that life consisted more or less in pushing through a revolving door. I like the Americans. Their environment has made them what they are though I confess if I were to be born again I would choose Huron County, Ontario for my birthplace—that still is good enough for me.

A friend of mine, in a business much like my own, at least he writes for the papers, sent me this note a few days ago:

"Thanks again for writing. You, according to your light and I in mine, will continue to do our bit in the effort to make a better world—to preserve the good earth so tree and flowers may grow and children play in the sunshine—yes, even in the rain. May we help to bring happiness to a world that has lot of it but could do with more. Perhaps a better world than we found when we started to write about things we love and things we cannot love—get in my opinion growing better every year. Cheerio."

Then from another friend came this:

"I am not an authority on the history of human culture, but I cling to the belief that it originated just outside the gate of Eden when the Lord told Adam that henceforth he would have to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow. It was a wonderful idea, for from that day to this nothing has been thought of that can compare with work as a means of developing and improving man."

"Yet we shrink from it. The strangest thing in the world of today is the cry for government help. It comes from every part of Canada. When confronted by a problem we seek government assistance. The need for mankind is self-help—not government help—only in that way can man attain his full development."



watering springs where they would fill their barrels to water it is any day later on.

Mr. and Mrs. Paris are the parents of three children, George, Lulu and Douglas.

George is district manager of the Safeway stores in Everett, Wash. where they reside. Thirtly years in 1918, George was employed by King and Green Motors where he worked until 1928.

Lulu's home is in Taber, Alta. where her husband Ross Gibb is employed by the Canadian Sugar Factories. At present he is helping in the construction of the new 100,000 Factory at Taber.

Douglas is working in the Bank of Commerce in St. Paul and Edmonton, Alta.

Mrs. Paris is a charter member of the Women's Institute of Raymond. Down through the years since its conception in May 1912 to the present time she has been and still is a loyal supporter and a faithful worker in that organization.

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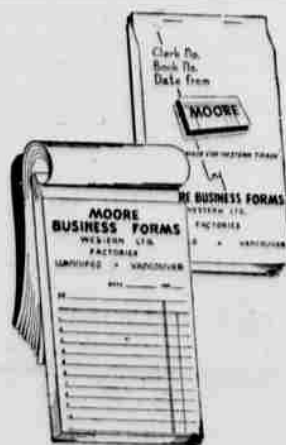
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